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A clean version of the paragraph on page 2, lines 13-22, as amended above:

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U -- Shrouding the disks 108 can reduce internal air turbulence thereby attenuating disk flutter, windage drag, and acoustic noise. The prior art disk drive of FIG. 1 provides radial shrouding by molding the base 106 into a cylindrical form such that the disk 108 fits snugly within, leaving a very narrow gap between the spinning outer perimeter of the disks 108 and the inner surface of base 106. However, the radial shroud of the base 106 cannot extend into the gap 118 coextensive with the actuator arms 110 so that the HSA can be inserted into the base 106 during manufacture. When inserting the HSA, the actuator arms 110 are rotated such that they fit into the gap 118 without damaging the heads 114. The actuator arms 110 are then rotated to position the heads 114 over the disks 108. The air turbulence which forms in this gap 118 exacerbates the disk flutter, windage drag, and acoustic noise. --

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